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2024-25 Awarding

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Thank you for being here and let's check in.

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In a word, how would you describe where you are at today?

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New for 2024-25 AY

You get 3 more QER (WCG),

You get 3 more QER (PTC),

You get 6 more QER (CBS)



SB 5904

Aligns the maximum time frame to 18 quarters/12 semesters for WCG, CBS, and PTC



New for 2024-25 AY

YES!

- Students who previously exhausted their QERs, could be eligible once again in 2024-25.



New for 2024-25 AY

SB 5904 ALSO...

- Eliminates 5-year eligibility window for CBS
- Eliminates PTC age limit of 26 years old





New for 2024-25 AY



ENROLLMENT INTENSITY

Awards will be reported and calculated based on the number of credits a student is enrolled in.

- Old: Awards were reported based on fulltime, $\frac{3}{4}$ time, $\frac{1}{2}$ time, and less than $\frac{1}{2}$ time.
- New: Awards are calculated based on actual number of credits.



New for 2024-25 AY

Quarter Institution Enrollment Intensity for Awards and Quarters of Eligibility Used Calculations (WCG Max Award)

Credits Enrolled	Enrollment Intensity	Quarters of Eligibility Used	Award Amount at UW \$12,378	Award Amount at CTC \$4,763
12+	1	1	\$4,126	\$1,588
9.75	0.81	0.81	\$3,342	\$1,286
9.50	0.79	0.79	\$3,260	\$1,255
9.25	0.77	0.77	\$3,177	\$1,223
9.00	0.75	0.75	\$3,095	\$1,191
6.75	0.56	0.56	\$2,311	\$889
6.50	0.54	0.54	\$2,228	\$858
6.25	0.52	0.52	\$2,146	\$826
6.00	0.50	0.50	\$2,063	\$794
3.75	0.31	0.31	\$1,279	\$492
3.50	0.29	0.29	\$1,197	\$461
3.25	0.27	0.27	\$1,114	\$429
3.00	0.25	0.25	\$1,032	\$397

Semester Institution Enrollment Intensity for Awards and Quarters of Eligibility Used Calculations (WCG Max Award)

Credits Enrolled	Enrollment Intensity	Quarters of Eligibility Used	Award Amount at WSU \$11,887	Award Amount at Private 2-Year For-Profit \$2,823
12+	1	1.50	\$5,944	\$1,412
9.75	0.81	0.81	\$4,815	\$1,143
9.50	0.79	0.79	\$4,696	\$1,115
9.25	0.77	0.77	\$4,577	\$1,087
9.00	0.75	0.75	\$4,458	\$1,059
6.75	0.56	0.56	\$3,329	\$790
6.50	0.54	0.54	\$3,210	\$762
6.25	0.52	0.52	\$3,091	\$734
6.00	0.50	0.50	\$2,972	\$706
3.75	0.31	0.31	\$1,843	\$438
3.50	0.29	0.29	\$1,724	\$409
3.25	0.27	0.27	\$1,605	\$381
3.00	0.25	0.25	\$1,486	\$353

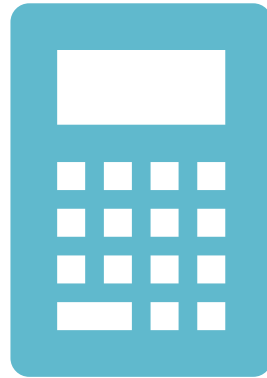
***NOTE: Sample charts only. Comprehensive chart and amounts can be found at www.wsac.wa.gov/faa-resources or in CSAW > Grant Amounts**



New for 2024-25 AY

MFI CALCULATIONS

Untaxed income aligns with 2024-25 FAFSA.
Note: Do not include any rollover amounts.



Number in College no longer factored into MFI calculation.



New for 2024-25 AY

Passport Student Support Funds and Emergency Financial Assistance (EFA)

- Passport Student Support Funds (PSSF) can be used as EFA
- Need to document it like any other EFA funding. However, if PSSF funds are utilized as other financial assistance (OFA), standard need rules apply.
- The EFA funds would be reported as not subject to need but OFA funds would need to be included.
- For the URR, the award code/type will be reported as non-need-based, not considered when determining need-based aid eligibility.



Steps for Awarding

First: Check to see if students appear in the WCG-Connect (WCG-C) Eligibility Checker, Archive, and Repayment Checker.

WCG-Connect - Eligibility Checker

Selected year	<input type="text" value="2024-2025"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NAME SEARCH
First name	<input type="text" value="First name"/>	<input type="radio"/> SSN list search
Last name	<input type="text" value="Last name"/>	<input type="radio"/> SSN file upload search
Birth date	<input type="text" value="MM/DD/YYYY"/>	
	<input type="button" value="Search"/> <input type="button" value="Reset"/>	



Steps for Awarding

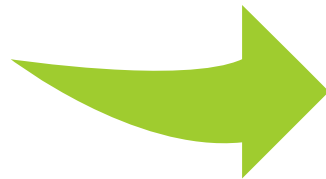
WCG-C Tips

- WCG-C students are income-eligible for maximum WCG
- Students are eligible for maximum WCG and Bridge regardless of need, **except** if awarded \$1 or more of need-based federal or state aid, then award must be within need.



Steps for Awarding

The Archive lists students who are within six quarters of meeting the 18 quarter/12 semester maximum and displays the number of quarters of eligibility remaining (QER).



Home ▾ Common ▾ Archive

WCG Archive Search

Targeted Search

Search by SSNs

Search by File Upload

Search by full/partial name or SSN

SSN

Name

last

first

Archive Status

Any ▾

Search

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Steps for Awarding

REPAYMENT CHECKER

Use the Repayment Checker to determine if a student owes a repayment on a previously disbursed state aid award.

SSN	First Name	Last Name	Program	Status	Date	Debt	Balance	Year	Institution	Term
			WCG	Uncollectable	1/9/2014	\$308.00	\$308.00	2013-2014	Seattle Central	Fall
			WCG	Sent to Collection Agency	12/27/2018	\$525.43	\$525.43	2018-2019	Edmonds	Fall
			WCG	Uncollectable	2/7/2003	\$95.55	\$95.55	2001-2002	Clover Park	Fall





Steps for Awarding

Second: Determine if the student is an eligible College Bound Scholar

CBS Eligibility Checker

The excel download option will give you a csv file useful for integrating into your own systems. You can download an example of the csv headers [here](#)

The CBS Eligibility Checker does NOT determine income and some other eligibility criteria. [i](#)

Show SIDs for this institution



Search by Name

Search by SSNs or SIDs

Search by File Upload

Watch List

Name (full or partial)

First name

Last name

Middle initial

Date of birth

mm/dd/yyyy



Search



Steps for Awarding

Third: If the student is an eligible College Bound Scholar, determine the amounts of funding the student is eligible to receive from both the WCG and CBS programs.

Resources

- 2024-25 Award and MFI Charts



<https://wsac.wa.gov/FAA-resources>



Steps for Awarding

Fourth: If the student is not an eligible College Bound Scholar determine the student's eligibility only for the WCG program.

2024-25 Maximum WCG , Bridge Grant, and CBS Award Amounts for 3 Quarters/2 Semesters							
Institution/Sector	Median Family Income						
	CBS Max	0 - 65%	0 - 65%	Bridge 0-65%	66 - 70%	71 - 75%	76 - 100%
	WCG + CBS = Full CBS Award	Full WCG award	CBS Amount	Max WCG only (not CBS eligible) Bridge Grant lump sum**	WCG ONLY = 50% of full award	WCG ONLY = 24.5% of full award	WCG ONLY = 10% of full award
University of Washington	\$12,878	\$12,378	\$500	\$500	\$6,189	\$3,033	\$1,238
Washington State University	\$12,387	\$11,887	\$500	\$500	\$5,944	\$2,912	\$1,189
Central Washington University	\$8,585	\$8,085	\$500	\$500	\$4,043	\$1,981	\$809



Steps for Awarding

Fifth: If the student *is not an eligible College Bound Scholar*, but is eligible for the maximum WCG, award the student the WA Bridge Grant.

REMINDER:

Students who are likely eligible for CBS should not be awarded Bridge.



Students who are likely eligible for CBS, should be awarded CBS until documentation is received.



Updating the CBS Eligibility Checker

- To access the override screen, click on “Details” underneath the student’s name in the Checker.

Name	SSN	Birth Date	OK to Award	OK to Pay	HS Grad Year	HS 2.0 GPA	Enrolled By Deadline	5-yr Elig. Open	CBS Qtrs Used	CBS Qtrs Remaining	In Repayment	Last Updated
Details			No updated 08/15/2023	No updated 08/15/2023	2017 actual from OSPI	Yes	Yes	No	6.50	5.50	No	08/22/2023
Details			Yes updated 08/22/2023	Yes updated 08/22/2023	2020 actual from OSPI	Yes	Yes	Yes	4.50	7.50	No	08/22/2023

Reminder: Please do not update HS Grad Year for home-schooled students, students who are foster youth with a GED, students graduating from a non-GPA based school, or students graduating from a non-Washington state high school. Contact collegebound@wsac.wa.gov for



Updating the CBS Eligibility Checker



The override screen will show all the student details, override box, and any prior overrides made.

Details - Ahmad

[Search Students](#)

OK to Award: **Yes** [ⓘ] OK to Pay: **Yes** [ⓘ]

Eligibility Information

Date of Birth	11/09/2003
SSN	•••••
SID	None
HS Grad Year	2022 (actual from OSPI)
HS 2.0 GPA	Yes
Enrollment Deadline Met	Yes
Previously enrolled in a 2-year college	No
5-year Eligibility Open	Yes
CBS Quarters Used	2.5
CBS Quarters Remaining	9.5
In Repayment	No

Overrides

Select a field to override

— Select —

Reason

Submit Override

Override History

Enrollment Deadline Met Override Created
11/7/2023 by Carlie Curlee

Enrollment Deadline Met	✓
Institution Name	WSAC
Overridden By	Carlie Curlee
Override Date	11/7/2023
Override Reason	Enrolled in our institution.



Updating the CBS Eligibility Checker

The following can be overridden:



Overrides

Select a field to override

— Select —

— Select —

HS Grad Year

GPA

Enrollment Deadline Met

Previously Enrolled in a 2-Year College

Submit Override



Passport Awarding

Award Amounts

- Maximum Passport awards are set at \$2,800 and are awarded based on financial need.
- Institutions will receive Passport Student Support Funds (PSSF) as a lump sum after the fall interim report period in the same amount that they received for the 2023-24 academic year.
 - For example, if a school received \$20,000 total in PSSF in 2023-24, that is the amount they'll receive for 2024-25.
- Passport, in combination with WCG, often surpasses the CBS maximum state aid amount, but with reduced awards, some private institutions may find that a student is eligible for a small amount of CBS funding, in addition to WCG and Passport.



Incremental File

- The full file upload will be phased out for 2024-25
- Incremental file upload allows you to load partial student data and all student data
- The incremental file requires that you add one new column at the beginning of your file.
 - “IsDelete” column, mark “Y” if you want to delete student awards.



File Upload

File headers will remain the same, however data input will be different.



For example, fields that contained FTI or phased-out information will be left blank due to changes with FAFSA simplification.

Field	Valid Inputs	Remarks
FamilySize	Leave blank	Not Required. Leave blank
NumberInCollege	Leave blank	Not Required. Leave blank
FamilyIncome	Leave blank	Not Required. Leave blank



File Upload

For detailed file upload information, please see the 2024-25 WCG/Bridge/CBS Program Manual at <https://wsac.wa.gov/FAA-resources>



**WASHINGTON COLLEGE GRANT,
WASHINGTON BRIDGE GRANT, AND
COLLEGE BOUND SCHOLARSHIP**

PROGRAM MANUAL

For Financial Aid Administrators

2024-25



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RESOURCES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATORS

Administrative Guidance

Program Guidance	2024 Legislative Session	Residency
COVID-19 Guidance	Program Manuals, MFI & Award Charts	

Financial Aid Training

Financial Aid Workshops	Webinars	Financial Aid & Literacy Curriculum
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CONTACT - FAA RESOURCES

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To contact program staff:
[Student Financial Assistance staff list](#)

RESOURCES

- [Unit Record Report](#)
- [Washington State Association of Student Employment Administrators \(WSASEA\)](#)
- [Consumer Protection Rules on Third-Party Disbursements of Financial Aid](#)
- [Repayment Policy Options for 2024-25 PPA](#)

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